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THE EXTENDED NECK

Cold war is running a temperature. Congress will appropriate more for defense—\$5 billion suggested figure. Real concern is that money be spent quickly. Lag between appropriations and allocations is scandal. Republicans will spotlight Administration dawdling in election campaigns.

Hoarding hysteria upsets economy. Pretty silly. Picture changes. Example: Nylon, new and tight last war; now abundant. Remember our production potential is up 50% in last decade. Can stand ½ more defense production without badly pinching civilians. Here's how we stand as of now:

Man Power: Not as tight as many contend. Millions not normally employed *would* work under patriotic pressure and lucre lure. Much job shifting possible. BRANNAN wants to move million people off farms. Could be done without crippling agriculture.

Food: Our easiest spot. Huge surpluses may prove blessing. Amazing progress turning out more with less labor. *No need to hoard!*

Gas & Oil: Enough for now. Could be *very tight* if Russia cuts import lines or speeds war with new thrusts. *Don't hoard!* Dangerous. Will do no good. Strict new-type check will limit car mileage if & when needed.

Steel: Tight, of course. Not alarming unless all-out war.

Rubber: Synthetic plants can carry any anticipated load.

Consumer Credit: Will be curbed to control creeping inflation.

MAY WE



YOU ON THAT?

W STUART SYMINGTON, chmn Nat'l Security Resources Board: "With only 12 min's warning as against no warning, and under efficiently planned civilian defense, the casualties in a city hit by an atomic bomb could be reduced 50%." 1-Q

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ROBT C RUARK, United Feature Syndicate columnist: "This is war in my book, not a police action . . . Anything that's got MacArthur and a draft in it is a war." 2-Q

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Mrs. E C WAMPLER, retiring pres, Daughters of the Union, echoing protests of many career women over action of Gen MacArthur in ordering war correspondent MARGUERITE HIGGINS from Korea: "That's the trouble with women trying to get anywhere. They can't do it because they were born women." A dissenter, INA CLAIRE, motion picture star: "Anything Gen MacArthur orders, I am for." 3-Q

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TRYGVE LIE, Sec'y Gen'l UN: "U S soldiers have always abided by the Geneva convention in time of war and do not commit atrocities." 4-Q

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HENRY A WALLACE, former head Progressive Party: "I hold no brief for the past actions of either the U S or Russia, but when my country is at war, and the UN sanctions that war, I am on the side of my country and the UN." 5-Q

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Gen WALTER KRUEGER, retired, referring to Korea: "We have got the bull by the tail and we've got to look him straight in the face. That's an extremely difficult operation." 6-Q

Sen KARL E MUNDT, of S Dak: "We can't let the dust settle in any nation where the Communists are driving in, or we will eventually see that dust turned to red mud by the spilling of American blood." 7-Q

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Sen BURNET MAYBANK, of S C, heading a Senate Banking Committee on inflation: "There is no sense in prices going up as they have." 8-Q

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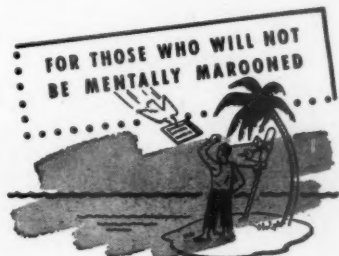
Lt-Gen WALTER BEDELL SMITH, former ambassador to Russia: "Civil wars are the most violently fought, because those are the only wars in which those doing the fighting really understand why they are fighting." 9-Q

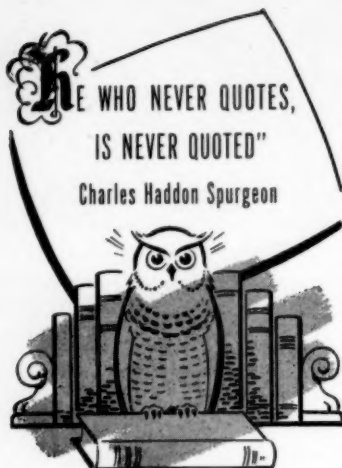
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NORMAN THOMAS, former leader Socialist Party: "We have to do a better job educating Asiatics to the real and terrible meaning of Communism. Even more surely, we must do a better job of presenting an appealing alternative to Communism." 10-Q

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WM GREEN, pres AFofL: "As we move toward preparedness we urge our gov't to provide adequate means to get the truth to all nations and keep them constantly-informed." 11-Q





AMBITION—1

It is better to have great desires than merely to desire greatness.—*Man's Shop*, hm, House of Ensign, (Capetown, S Africa)

AMERICA—Production—2

Because of the tremendous number of things we make in our factories, we enjoy half of the world's electric power, half of the radios, more than half of all the telephones, produce more steel, own 60% of the world's ins policies and 85% of its automobiles.—*Blazes*, hm, American-LaFrance-Foamite Corp'n.

BEHAVIOR—3

What one says when on his knees is of less importance than what he does when he rises.—*Kalends of the Waverly Press*, hm, Williams & Wilkins Co.

BUSINESS—4

John H Patterson, founder of Nat'l Cash Register once said: "Business is sensitive. It goes only where it is invited. And it stays only where it is well treated"

CAPITAL—Labor—5

A lot of people who spout so profusely about capital and labor never had any capital and never did any labor.—*Gas Flame Mag.*

MAXWELL DROKE, Publisher



Droke House

CHARACTER—6

When the late J P Morgan was asked what he considered the best bank collateral, he repl'd: "Character."—RAMSAY MACDONALD, quoted in *Wkly Scotsman*. (Edinburgh)

"... my passion is souls"

Died this wk, Gen EVANGELINE BOOTH, former internat'l commander, Salvation Army, age 84. A comment her father, the late Gen Wm BOOTH once made to King EDWARD VII fittingly capsules the career of this Christian soldier: "Your Majesty, some men's passion is art; some men's passion is fame; some men's passion is gold. My passion is souls." 7

CIVILIZATION—8

Dr Kalvero Oberg, just ret'd from an expedition in the heart of the Brazilian jungle, reports that he found a tribe of savages who had never before seen a white man. These peoples, according to the doctor, have only one fear: that their military secrets might be stolen. Accordingly, when a stranger approaches one of their villages, they hasten to hide their bows and arrows.—*France Amerique*, N Y French wkly paper. (QUOTE translation)

CONCEIT—9

Nothing removes conceit like a walk thru the cemetery.—*Banking*.

CONGRESS—10

A survey of senate absenteeism shows that ¼ of the senators have missed over 75 votes since the 81st Congress opened in Jan, '49. In other words some of the taxpayers are paying for full-time senators but getting only part-time service. On any other job they would be fired. — DREW PEARSON, *Bell Syndicate*.

DEBT—Nat'l—11

Recently Sen John L McClellan, of Ark, was listening to a witness explain that Costa Rica can't

make her payments on the proposed Pan-American highway extension because she has a nat'l deficit of \$25 million.

"Twenty-five million!" McClellan snorted. "We don't even keep books on that small am't."—*Pathfinder*.

DEPRESSION—12

Depression is that period when people do without what their parents never had.—*Outdoor Ind.*

DISCIPLINE—Self—13

A man is rich in proportion to the number of things he can let alone.—*Rays of Sunshine*.

ECONOMY—14

Economic development can hardly succeed without a measure of military security and political peace.—*Economist*. (London)

EDUCATION—15

The cost for respective courses per credit hr is about \$4.06 for teaching, \$11.05 for law, \$15.87 for dentistry, and \$26.96 for medicine.—*Chemist*.

FACTS—16

Facts are dangerous to American life when they are picked one by one to sustain a prejudged viewpoint. Facts can become the tools of dictators and demagogues if they are used to tell only half of the story. We forget that 2 half-truths make a whole lie . . . If we are to maintain our independence in America, we must desist from accepting as truth every fact presented just because it is printed in the newspaper, heard over the radio, or even printed in a book. We must insist on knowing *all* the facts, *both sides* of the story before making decisions.—*Survey Bulletin*.

FAITH—17

Prof Irwin Edman told recently of the Catholic student who came to Father Geo Ford, formerly Columbia's adviser to Catholic students, and said he was taking a course with a kind of pagan and heathen in the Dep't of Philosophy. (Irwin rather suspects he was the

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pagan and heathen in question.) Should he take the course? Father Ford looked at the student and said: "If your faith isn't good enough to stand up against the Columbia Dep't of Philosophy, it's good for nothing. Just you take that course."—*Pleasures of Publishing*, hm, Columbia Univ Press.

FAME—18

Monday's masterpiece, my 1st city editor told me, wraps Tuesday's fish.—*SYDNEY J HARRIS, Chicago News*.

They say . . .

Books Abroad reports that German publishers from the 4 occupied zones have created a Peace Prize for '50 to be awarded the author who has contributed most thru personal attitude as well as work to the furthering of the idea of international good will . . . Paste this little memo across the lid of your garbage pail: 1.5 billion of the 2.3 billion people in the world are, undernourished . . . Some fiend for figures has est'd that it would require 3,504 mi's of packing boxes to contain the existing records of the U S Gov't, if each box were 1x1x2 ft long. Says he, if placed lengthwise, side by side, they would line a transcontinental highway from N Y to San Francisco and extend 331 mi's out into the bay . . . *Industrial Medicine* informs us that sunburn causes an est'd loss of 7.5 million man-days of work every summer!

FREEDOM—19

Freedom is placed in jeopardy more by those who will not exercise it than by those who will not permit it. Indifference opens more gates to the enemy than does tyranny.—*Rev EDWIN MCNEILL POTEAT*, clergyman & author.

GOVT—Surplus—20

The Gov't has given away more than 142 million lbs of food, which cost it upward of \$15 million from its big surplus stocks this yr, according to Agriculture Dep't figures.

About 120 million lbs had been given to domestic institutions, welfare organizations and school lunches as of April 30, and 22,-

530,000 lbs of dried milk and dried eggs had been donated to private welfare organizations to help needy persons outside the U S.—*Baltimore Sun*.

GRATITUDE—21

Everyone knows the difficulty of writing "thank you" letters, but few have tackled it as sublimely as the little girl who wrote: "Dear Auntie Gladys, Thank you so much for the nice pincushion you sent me for my birthday. It is a lovely pincushion. I have always wanted a pincushion, only not very much . . ."—*Leader Mag.* (London)

HOARDING—22

During the shortage of Kleenex at the end of the last war, one housewife asked her corner druggist if she could have Kleenex. The druggist looked her straight in the eye and said, "All you want, lady. How about a case?"

Thinking a case would be about a doz boxes, she jumped at the chance. But a "case" turned out to be big enough to fill the back of her car. She then was ashamed to back down on her deal, and carted it home.

She not only didn't have enough room to store it, but it knocked her wkly budget galley-west. That was a lesson she'll always remember.—*HAROLD H HARTLEY, Business Editor, Indianapolis Times*.

HUMOR—23

The most valuable sense of humor is the kind that enables a person to see instantly what it isn't safe to laugh at.—*Ladies' Home Jnl.*

INCOME—24

According to Du Pont v-pres Chas A Cary, families with incomes under \$5,000 a yr get nearly 90% total U S wages and salaries; receive no less than 69.4% of dividends and interest paid. After taxes, over-\$5,000 bracket take-home is only 5½% of nat'l income.—*American Business*.

INTERNAT'L RELATIONS—25

Nations are like women. Women prefer men who take them without understanding them to men who understand them without taking them.—*LOUIS MADELIN, French historian, quoted in Le Digeste Francais, Montreal, Canada.* (QUOTE translation)



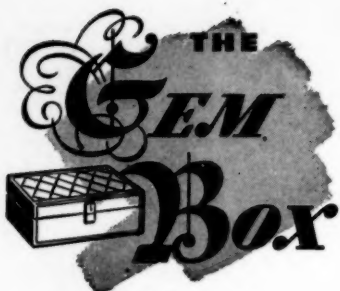
With wisdom and forethought, the architects of our Constitution provided that Congress should have the power "to promote the progress of science and the useful arts by securing for limited times to authors and inventors the exclusive rights to their respective writings and discoveries." So it was that the 1st U S patent granted went to SAM'L HOPKINS, a Vt inventor, on July 31, 1790, for a method of "making pot and pearl ashes," generally known as potash.* The patent was signed by GEO WASHINGTON, Pres, THOS JEFFERSON, Sec'y of State, and EDMUND RANDOLPH, Att'y Gen'l.

Records show that only 3 patents were issued that yr. Between 1790 and 1836, only 9,957 were granted. During a particularly quiet period, HENRY ELLSWORTH, head of the Patent Office, after giving the matter serious thought, recommended that the bureau be abolished because, "everything seems to have been done." Luckily, his suggestion was overlooked.

The turn of the coming yrs brought forth the products of many a "hunch" in an inventive mind. Patents were ganted for the McCormick reaper, the Colt revolver, the Morse telegraph, the vulcanization of rubber by Good-year, Howe's sewing machine and a variety of other inventions and discoveries. THOS EDISON tops the list by being awarded a total of 1,097 patents.

It took 121 yrs to reach the million mark—but the 2nd million were turned out in 24 yrs. Now, the number is well over 2½ million — with more than 118,000 granted since World War II.

When patent number 3 million may come or what it may bring is anybody's question — and answer. The patent past has ranged from egg beaters to atom smashers. It is our fervent prayer that the potent future will lean more toward well-being than warfare.



What Is Love?

One hundred yrs ago, on Aug 5, there was born in France a figure destined to acclaim as the most perfect master of the short story in world literature. HENRI RENE ALBERT GUY DE MAUPASSANT* was patiently trained in writing by the novelist FLAUBERT. His 1st story, *Boule de suif*, brought immediate recognition. From 1880 to 1890, he produced about 200 short stories which, while often morbid, cynical and unmoral, nevertheless showed superb style and deftness of portraiture. Many regard *The Necklace* as the most remarkable short story in all literature.

Of poor health, DE MAUPASSANT's reason gave way slowly and he died in a Paris asylum in 1893.

To love very much is to love inadequately; we love—that is all. Love cannot be modified without being nullified. Love is a short word but it contains everything. Love means the body, the soul, the life, the entire being. We feel love as we feel the warmth of our blood, we breathe love as we breathe the air, we hold it in ourselves as we hold our thoughts. Nothing more exists for us. Love is not a word; it is a wordless state indicated by 4 letters . . .

LABOR—Strikes—26

A Twentieth Century Fund study shows that in the record strike yr of '46 lost working time was only 1.43% of all time worked.—*Sat Review of Literature*.

LEISURE—27

The staccato tempo of modern life makes difficult the contemplation necessary for self-knowledge. You have but 1 life, and a short one, at your disposal. Only in leisure can you savor it to the full. "Be still and know the good" is as modern as tomorrow's television set. You can make it a rule

of your life to withdraw each day into quiet and contemplation so that you may put aside the pressing and temporal things and look upon those which come out of the deep places of human experiences.—VIRGIL M HANCHER, pres, State Univ of Iowa, *Nat'l Parent-Teacher*.

LOVE—28

You would never send a deaf man to buy your phonograph records, a blind man to buy your paintings, and an illiterate to choose your books; but you are expected to choose the person whom you are going to hear more than your favorite record, see oftener than any of your pictures and whose remarks will be more familiar than the pages of your most treasured book—in a state of deafness, blindness and illiteracy.—GEO MIKES, *Wisdom for Others*. (Allan Wingate, London)

MARRIAGE—29

Marriage is like a poker game. They start with a pair, he shows a diamond, she shows a flush and they end up with a full house.—*Trade-Aid Bulletin*, hm, Providence Jnl Bulletin.

MUSIC—30

There are certain works which seem to bring bad luck. *Charles IV*, the opera by Jacques Halevy, has become so feared by singers that it has disappeared from their repertoires. The French tenor, Eugene Massol, sang it 3 evenings in a row and at each performance a spectator suddenly died. In 1858 Napoleon III wanted to see the work. After numerous requests, Massol finally agreed to sing in it again. On the evening of the performance the anarchist Orsini, knowing the presence of Napoleon III, exploded a bomb which killed several people.—*Le Recueil*, Quebec, Canada. (QUOTE translation)

OPPORTUNITY—31

Butting your head against a wall is not an example of the Knock of Opportunity.—*Focus on Ind Libraries*.

OPTIMISM—Pessimism—32

A psychologist says that if a man goes upstairs 2 steps at a time he's probably an optimist. If he comes down 5 or 6 at a time he's probably a former optimist.—*Dublin Opinion*.

PATRIOTISM—33

A man's country is not a certain area of land—it is a principle and patriotism is loyalty to that principle.—GEO W CURTIS, quoted in *After Hrs*.

PERFECTION—34

Sign on a church: "Good enough is the enemy of the best."—JERRY FLEISHMAN, *Trailer Talk*, hm, Warner Fruehauf Trailer Co.

POWER—35

It takes 14 times as much power to start an automobile rolling as it does to keep it rolling once it is started. — BEN SWEETLAND, *Mind*.

PRAYER—36

Much vain prayer consists of: Please Lord, fix it up so that 2 and 2 won't make 4.—*Protestant Voice*.

PROGRESS—37

Progress, you must admit, always involves a certain am't of risk. After all, you can't steal 2nd base and still keep 1 foot on first.—*Bremerton (Wash) Sun*.

RATIONING—38

People will buy anything that's one to a customer.—SINCLAIR LEWIS, author.

This Is Not War

I thumb my dictionary. What IS war?
I never stopped to look it up before,
Thinking in naive fashion that I knew,
Since, personally speaking, I've lived thru
A couple of them. Shootin' wars. that is . . .
This must be wrong. But Webster was a whiz
On definitions, so I thought. Says he,
"Contest by violence; hostility." That served in '17 and '41,
But times have changed, I guess. We have begun
To shoot again, but this, of course, is peace.
We are not warriors—we are police.
Don't fret about it as you go along.
This is not war. The dictionary's wrong.
—Chicago Tribune. 39

RELIGION—40

A divided Christendom confronting a united communism is a sorry spectacle. — Bishop G BROMLEY OXNAM, clergyman & author.

REPUTATION—41

Reputation is a personal possession frequently not discovered until lost.—*Irish News*.

RUSSIA—Germany—42

If we lose Germany to the Kremlin we stand to lose Europe, the Middle East and Africa. Few Americans realize what is at stake in Germany but the men in the Kremlin do. Even among the Nazi leaders there were enthusiasts for the Eastern orientation. Erich Koch, *gauleiter* of East Prussia, 14 yrs ago in Koenigsburg, explained to me: "The Reich and the Soviet complement each other. A combination of Russian manpower, land mass and raw mat'ls with German industry, technological skill, and organizing ability, would constitute the world's greatest power center. The rulers of this combination could dominate the world."—HENRY C WOLFE, "Germany: Time Bomb of Europe," *American Mercury*, 5-'50.

SAFETY—Safe Driving—43

A judge disposed of a drunken driver, called the next defendant (also charged with operating a car while intoxicated), and discovered that the drivers of the 2 cars had collided.

"I wish to commend you two," said the judge to the pair, "for running into each other instead of into some innocent person. If this thing can be encouraged, I think we may have hit upon the solution of a serious problem."—*Quick*.

SALESMANSHIP—44

An American and a British shoe salesman traveled on the same boat to W Africa, each representing different shoe co's. After landing, they looked around, and what struck them 1st was that all the natives were barefoot. The Britisher cabled his head office: "Nobody here wearing shoes. Coming home by next ship."

The American salesman cabled his chief: "Nobody here wearing shoes. Send 1 million consignment. Mkt wide open." — BRIANT SANDO, *Fruit & Vegetable Review*.

Statistics that Startle

While World War III is not actually expected this yr, officials acknowledge, according to U S News & World Report, that Stalin has the power in '50, as Hitler did in '39, to plunge the world into war if he wants to take that step. The following chart, from that mag, shows the comparative resources:

	What Hitler had in '38	What Stalin has in '50
Steel (Annual production) tons.....	27,400,000	35,200,000
Electric power (Annual production) kwh	62,300,000,000	115,000,000,000
Aluminum (Annual production) tons ..	215,000	230,000
Oil (Annual production) barrels	15,800,000	335,500,000
Trucks (Stocks on hand)	400,000	2,000,000
Machine tools (inventory)	1,177,000	1,300,000
Youths (Coming of military age each yr)	500,000	2,000,000
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SPEECH—Speaking—46

The secret of good oratory: Be bright, be brief, be seated!—*South-ern Cross*.

SUPERSTITION—47

There is nothing people will not maintain when they are slaves to superstition; and candor and a sense of justice are, in such a case, the 1st things lost.—GEO SANTA-YANA, in *Atoms of Thought*, edited by IRA D CARDIFF. (Philosophical Library)

THRIFT—48

Thrift: A moss-grown obsession of those primitive men whose only accomplishment was to create the U S of America.—*SFC Spotlight*, hm, Saginaw Financing Corp'n.

TROUBLE—49

You can be sure that if you laugh at your troubles you'll never run out of something to laugh at.—*Gilcrafter*, hm, Gilbert Paper Co.

TRUST—50

A man was buried in quicksand up to his neck but, when asked if he wanted help, repl'd cheerily, "No, I've got a good horse under me."—*Nation*.

UNITED NATIONS—51

Of the 125 million non-selfgoverning people of the world today, more than 15 million inhabiting 11 Trust Territories are wards of the UN.—VICTOR HOO, "New Hope for Dependent Peoples," *Rotarian* 7-'50.

VALUES—52

When we look at objects or persons solely with an eye to use, we fail to see them fully, and spoil our relationship to them. Some time ago a woman in another state told me of her last trip to N Y. She said: "I thorough-

ly enjoyed myself. I did not see a single thing I wanted to buy!"—RALPH W SOCKMAN, Christ Methodist Church, N Y, "The Life We Miss," *Pulpit Preaching*, 6-'50.

VIEWPOINT—53

When you are in need of a physician, you esteem him a god; when he has brought you out of danger, you consider him a king; when you have been cured, he becomes a human like yourself; when he sends you a bill, you think him a devil.—JEDAIAH ABRAHAM BEDERSI, quoted in *Jewish Life*.

VISION—54

She was in her eighties, a sparse, straight-backed figure. Her face was wrinkled, but her eyes were keen and the lines of her mouth hinted a sharp humor. She carried a long stick, sharpened at the end, not for support, but to indicate to her gardener where she wanted her flowers planted, thrusting it decisively into the soft Spring earth to mark the setting of the border plantings.

"Some of these won't blossom until next yr and I suppose you think I'm crazy to be planting them," she said to a neighbor, "Maybe I am, but my father, when he was about my age, was making plans for the yrs ahead. He told me 'You've got to decide to die tomorrow or plan to live forever.'" — *Property*, syndicated by Cambridge Assoc's, Boston.

WAGES—55

It takes fewer hrs of work to earn money to pay for an average diet in America than in any other major country in the world.—*American Farm Bureau Fed Official News Letter*.

GOOD STORIES

You Can Use

Two young Germans were loafing on the st corner, watching a company of occupation troops march by in rigid formation.

"Pity the poor conqueror," said one. "See what happens when you win a war."

"Yes," sighed the other who had heard the stories about possible rearmament of Germany, "but how long do you think we can keep ours lost?"—*Kurier*. (Berlin) a

The difference between animals and mankind is that the animals are satisfied with the horrors that nature provides.

—HY SHERIDAN, Flying.

Beatrice Lillie went to the country for a wk end and heard one of the guests make a series of statements which she deemed objectionable. She protested immediately to the hostess, who assured her: "Oh, he really doesn't mean it. He's joking. He saying those things with tongue in cheek." Miss Lillie repl'd: "He confuses tongue-in-cheek with foot-in-mouth."—LEONARD LYONS, *McNaught Syndicate*. b

There's a Red Square in Moscow, but no one has ever found a square Red.—Pathfinder.

In Bible school, 6-yr-old Alfred was told to illustrate the line, "Those whom God has joined together let no man put asunder." Below the verse, Alfred pasted pictures of Elsie the Cow and Elmer the Bull. — ELIZABETH CLARKSON ZWART, *Des Moines Register*. c

Duncan MacCodrum, an innkeeper on a small Scottish island, had not much use for any visitors to his hostelry who were not sportsmen. One summer a naturalist came to stay who not only disdained the pleasure of fishing but also offended Duncan by never hiring his horse and wagon for his researches into the Fauna and Flora of the island.

"What's that fellow do with himself all the time?" a sports-

I LAUGHED AT THIS ONE

GEO DIXON

Washington Columnist

Bert Wissman, one of our more gentlemanly Washington reporters, had a most unnerving experience on a Senate subway train recently. A very little and very timid old lady in prim black was sitting beside him. As the car gathered speed, reaching its breakneck peak of about 8 mi's per hr, she became more and more frightened. As it reached the 1st easy curve, she clutched Wissman by the arm. Her eyes were closed tight and her lips moving as if in prayer. She was trembling all over. Mr Wissman tried to steady her with his manly arm. The little old lady clung to it for dear life.

When the train finally limped to a halt, Mr Wissman assisted her to alight. He expected her to say in a tremulous voice, "Thank you, young man," or something equally touching. Instead, she glared at the subway train and snarled: "That's the last time I'll ride in that (blankety-blank) thing!"

man asked. "I never see him with a rod."

"Och, don't be asking me what he does with himself, Col," Duncan repl'd huffily. "He's chust running about all day after Fanny and Flora, he tells me, and where Fanny lives I don't know at all."—*Picture Post*. (London) d

Repatee: *What a man thinks on the way home.*—Evening Mail.

The proudest moment in one reporter's life came when, in the course of a presidential campaign tour, he was permitted to ride in the same auto with the curret White House resident.

The presidential car was ad-

vancing rapidly along a st lined with wildly cheering citizens, when the reporter leaned over and anxiously inq'd "Mr Pres, do you think you should be riding so fast?"

The latter looked out over the crowd and repl'd, "It's all right—they know who I am."

The reporter grinned back. "I know," he agreed. "But do you mind slowing down a bit so they can see who's with you?"—*United Mine Workers Jnl*. e

First of the mo bills descend like due-drops.—After Hrs.

A husband drew up his chair beside his wife's sewing machine.

"Don't you think you're running too fast?" he asked. "Look out! You'll sew the wrong seam. Mind that corner now! Slow down, watch your finger. Steady!"

"What's the matter with you, John?" asked his wife. "I've been running this machine for yrs."

"Well, dear, I thought you might like me to help you, since you help me drive the car."—*Christian Observer*. f

A censor is a fellow who knows more than he thinks you ought to. — Reformatory Pillar.

"I say," said the prof, "your tubular air container has lost its accustomed rotundity."

"Huh?" said the motorist.

"The cylinder which supports your vehicle is no longer inflated."

The motorist's mouth came slightly ajar.

"The elastic fabric," cont'd the prof, patiently, "surrounding the circular frame whose successive revolutions bear you onward in space has not retained its pristine roundness."

At this moment a small boy walked by and shouted at the motorist, "Hey, mister, you got a flat!"—*Dorsey Digest*. g

The two women were discussing a third. Said one, "Well, you have to admit she's awfully kind to her inferiors."

After a pause, the other retorted, "But where does she find them?"—*Time & Tide*. **h**

Died this wk, CARL VAN DOREN, author and historian, age 64. We reprint a "favorite story" he told *QUOTE* in 1943:

In my youth, on the farm, I was preparing one Fall to attend a nearby carnival. A hired man suggested feminine companionship.

"Why 'n't you ask one o' the gals hereabouts t' go with y'?" he inq'd.

I repl'd that I was awkward and unschooled in the art of persuading females. "I wouldn't know," I confessed, "how to ask 'em."

It was then that the sage philosopher gave me counsel I have sought ever to remember:

"Heck, bub," he said, "there ain't no *wrong* way!" **i**

A *King's Story*, by the Duke of Windsor, 1st issued as a picture magazine serial, will be put into book covers for Oct publication by Putnam. Speaking of the Windsor memoirs, Poet Melville Cane suggests a title for the book version: "*The Kingsy Report*."—H RUSSELL AUSTIN, *Milwaukee Jnl*. **j**

Capital punishment: *Income tax*.—Chicago Tribune. **o**

The teacher turned to little Johnny and asked if any state had a lady gov.

Quick as a wink came the reply, "Sure. The state of matrimony!"—*Phoenix Flame*, hm, Phoenix Metal Cap Co. **k**

A sampler of public opinion asked a student if he favored a bill before the U S Congress to continue the draft.

"It's a good deal," repl'd the student, "except for the fact I'm not getting any of it."

The opinion seeker thought there must be some misunder-

standing, so he repeated the question.

"Oh," corrected the student. "I thought you said the 'graft.'"—*Watchman-Examiner*. **l**

A parishioner called at the clergyman's home. Presently the minister's little son went up to the visiting lady and blurted, "My, how ugly you are."

Horrified, his mother remonstrated, "Johnny! Whatever could you mean by saying such a thing?"

"I only meant—meant it for a joke, Mother," Johnny stammered.

"Well," his mother said unwittingly, "how much better the joke would have been if you had said to Mrs. Smith, 'How pretty you are!'"—*Lookout*. **m**

A quick-thinking employee came up with a new alibi when his foreman said, "Hey, bud, how come you're sleeping on the job?"

"Goodness gracious, can't a man close his eyes for a min of prayer?"—*Pipe Dreams*, hm, Universal Concrete Pipe Co. **n**

The Japanese clerk at the Ambassador Hotel in Tokyo was polite, but firm. "So sorry, no room," he told Archibald Hawthorne, agricultural expert from Washington, D C. In a last try. Mr Hawthorne flourished his business card. The clerk looked—and produced a room. Admiringly he said, "I have read your *Scarlet Letter*." Nathaniel Hawthorne, who wrote the *Scarlet Letter*, died in 1864. — DOROTHY CROCKETT, *Indianapolis Times*. **o**

The after-dinner speaker had talked for 15 min's. "After partaking of such a meal," he cont'd, "I feel if I had eaten any more, I would be unable to talk."

From the far end of the table came an order to a waiter: "Give him a sandwich."—*Animator*, hm, Alexander Film Co. **p**

"I hope you don't think me too young for marriage with your daughter?" said the young man anxiously.

"That's all right, my boy," was the cheerful reply. "You'll age fast enough!"—*Capper's Wkly*. **q**



DEODORANTS: Gen'l Electric is mfr'g a 4-watt lamp which produces fresh, "outdoors" smell to neutralize objectionable household odors. First production models are being used by makers of automatic clothes dryers; available to the public later this yr. (*Newsweek*)

FOOD: Lamro Hot Tray keeps fried foods warm while draining. A metal affair shaped like a three-quarter moon, it snaps onto skillet rim. Slip bacon onto tray; fat runs back into skillet while eggs fry. Postpaid, 60¢. (*Pathfinder*)

HAIR DRYER: New Penguin air-conditioned hair dryer dries by absorption rather than by heat and blowing. Utilizes silica jel, moisture absorbing crystal used in wartime to prevent rusting of precision instruments. Dries any hair in 45 min's. (*Tide*)

SAFETY DEVICES: Life saving device for swimmers is an inflatable bag worn ordinarily hidden under the trunks. When needed, it is pulled out and upward, filled with air by means of a tube which is near user's mouth. (*Science News Letter*)

SHIPPING: Recording device traces damage to shipped goods, determines whether shipper, carrier or receiver is to blame. Packed in carton with shipment, 3 recording needles (for horizontal, vertical and longitudinal shocks) will print conditions of handling in transit on specially treated paper. Device will run for 28 days at a time. (*Canadian Business*)

SOUND: Supersonics work burglar alarm developed by Denver Burglar Co. Alarm goes off when intruder disturbs room filled with high-frequency sound waves. (*Business Wkly*)

Quote CALENDAR

July 30

- 1511—b Giorgio Vasari, Florentine painter, author
1718—d Wm Penn, English Quaker, founder Pennsylvania
1771—d Thos Gray, English poet
1822—b Wm Taylor Adams, American author, editor
1863—b Henry Ford, American mfr, philanthropist
1918—d Joyce Kilmer, American poet

July 31

- 1790—*1st U S patent issued
1803—b John Ericsson, Swedish-born American engineer, inventor
1859—b Theobald Smith, American pathologist
1875—d Andrew Johnson, 17th U S Pres
1836—d Franz Liszt, Hungarian pianist, composer

August 1

- 1291—Everlasting League of Switzerland formed
1744—b Jean Pierre, Chevalier de Lamarck, French naturalist, pre-Darwinian evolutionist
1779—b Francis Scott Key, American lawyer, song writer
1815—b Richard Henry Dana, American jurist, author
1818—b Maria Mitchell, American astronomer, educator
1819—b Herman Melville, American novelist
1876—Colo admitted to Union

August 2

- 1754—b Chas L'Enfant, French-born American engineer, designer Washington, D C
1788—b Jos John Gurney, English Quaker, philanthropist
1788—d Thos Gainsborough, English artist
1859—d Horace Mann, American educational reformer
1921—d Enrico Caruso, Italian operatic tenor
1922—d Alexander Graham Bell, Scottish-born American scientist, inventor
1923—d Warren G Harding, 28th U S Pres
1934—d Paul von Hindenburg, Pres of Germany, whose death made Hitler absolute dictator

August 3

- 1808—b Hamilton Fish, American diplomat
1887—b Rupert Brooke, English poet
1900—b Ernie Pyle, American journalist
1907—d Augustus St Gaudens, Irish-born American sculptor
1924—d Jos Conrad, Polish-born English novelist

August 4

- 1792—d John Burgoyne, British gen'l
1859—b Knut Hamsun, Norwegian novelist
1875—d Hans Christian Andersen, Danish fabulist
1900—b Elizabeth, Queen of England

August 5

- 1811—b Ambroise Thomas, French composer
1850—b Guy de Maupassant, French author
1858—d Alexis Benoit Soyer, French chef

*Indicates relevant mat'l on this page.
See also: Gems of Yesteryear, Pathways to the Past.

HANS CHRISTIAN ANDERSEN*

Every man's life is a fairy tale, written by God's fingers.

Main Street

God be thanked for the Milky Way

That runs across the sky.
That's the path my feet would tread

Whenever I have to die.
Some folks call it a Silver Sword,

And some a Pearly Crown,
But the only thing I think it is,
Is Main St, Heaventown.—
JOYCE KILMER.

ALEXANDER GRAHAM BELL*

Don't keep forever on the public road, going only where others have gone. Leave the beaten track occasionally and dive into the woods. You will be certain to find something you have never seen before. Of course, it will be a little thing, but do not ignore it. Follow it up, explore all around it; one discovery will lead to another, and before you know it you will have something really worth thinking about to occupy your mind. All really big discoveries are the results of thought.

ENRICO CARUSO*

The celebrated tenor, Caruso, altho aware of his artistic ability, was not without modesty. One day John McCormick, the superb American tenor, said to him, "Well how is the greatest tenor of the world feeling today?"

"Since when," asked Caruso, "have you become a baritone?"—*Le Digeste Francais*, Montreal, Canada. (QUOTE translation)

JOSEPH CONRAD*

When Jos Conrad was to be knighted as a result of his outstanding work in literature, he rec'd the notice in an envelope marked "Imperial Business." For wks the envelope lay on Conrad's desk, unopened. Finally the prime minister sent a messenger to Conrad to find out why he did not report. It was then revealed that the writer was was afraid to open the letter, fearing it related to his many debts.—*Quick*.

HENRY FORD*

A fortune which grew faster than it could be counted could not turn Henry Ford away from the simple life he found most enjoyable. Once the great automobile magnate visited the mansion of Edward T Stotesbury, business

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partner of J P Morgan, which had 145 rooms, 45 baths, 14 elevators, and a garden reminiscent of Versailles. Later he was interviewed by a group of newspapermen.

"Yes," agreed Mr Ford, "the Stotesburys are charming, delightful people." The automobile magnate chuckled. "It's a great experience to see how the rich live."—*Christian Science Monitor*.

HORACE MANN*

I have never heard anything about the *resolutions* of the apostles, but I have heard a great deal about the *acts* of the apostles.

WM PENN*

There can be no friendship where there is no freedom. Friendship loves a free air, and will not be fenced up in straight and narrow enclosures.

ERNIE PYLE*

When you see a church with a bomb hole in its side and 500 pretty safe and happy people in its basement, and the girls smoking cigarettes inside its sacred walls without anybody yelling at them, then I say the church has found a real religion.

Quote

